

Supporting Information

Chiral Aluminum Solvating Agent (CASA) for ^1H NMR Chiral Analysis of Alcohols at Low Temperature

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1. General information

Commercially available compounds were used without further purification or drying. The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Ascend 400 spectrometer (400 MHz for ^1H and 100 MHz for ^{13}C) and are reported in ppm, relative to residual protonated solvent peak. The high-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on a Bruker Daltonik microTOF-QII spectrometer. All calculations were performed using Gaussian 09. CASA-H and CASA-Na were prepared according to the literature procedure (*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2015**, *137*, 14190).

2. Binding constants

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{H} + \text{G} & \rightleftharpoons & \text{HG} \\ (\delta_{\text{H}}) & & (\delta_{\text{HG}}) \end{array} \quad K_a = \frac{[\text{HG}]}{[\text{H}][\text{G}]} \quad [\text{H}]_0 = [\text{H}] + [\text{HG}] \text{ and } [\text{G}]_0 = [\text{G}] + [\text{HG}]$$

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{HG}]}{[\text{H}][\text{G}]} = \frac{[\text{HG}]}{([\text{H}]_0 - [\text{HG}])([\text{G}]_0 - [\text{HG}])}$$

$$\Delta\delta = \delta_{\text{exp}} - \delta_{\text{H}} \quad \Delta\delta_{\text{HG}} = \delta_{\text{HG}} - \delta_{\text{H}}$$

$$\Delta\delta = \Delta\delta_{\text{HG}} \frac{[\text{HG}]}{[\text{H}]_0}$$

$$[\text{HG}]^2 - ([\text{G}]_0 + [\text{H}]_0 + K_a^{-1})[\text{HG}] + [\text{H}]_0[\text{G}]_0 = 0$$

$$[\text{HG}] = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ ([\text{G}]_0 + [\text{H}]_0 + K_a^{-1}) - \sqrt{([\text{G}]_0 + [\text{H}]_0 + K_a^{-1})^2 - 4[\text{H}]_0[\text{G}]_0} \right\}$$

Nonlinear square fitting

$$y = \frac{\Delta\delta_{\text{HG}}}{2[\text{H}]_0} \left\{ (x + [\text{H}]_0 + K_a^{-1}) - \sqrt{(x + [\text{H}]_0 + K_a^{-1})^2 - 4[\text{H}]_0 x} \right\}$$

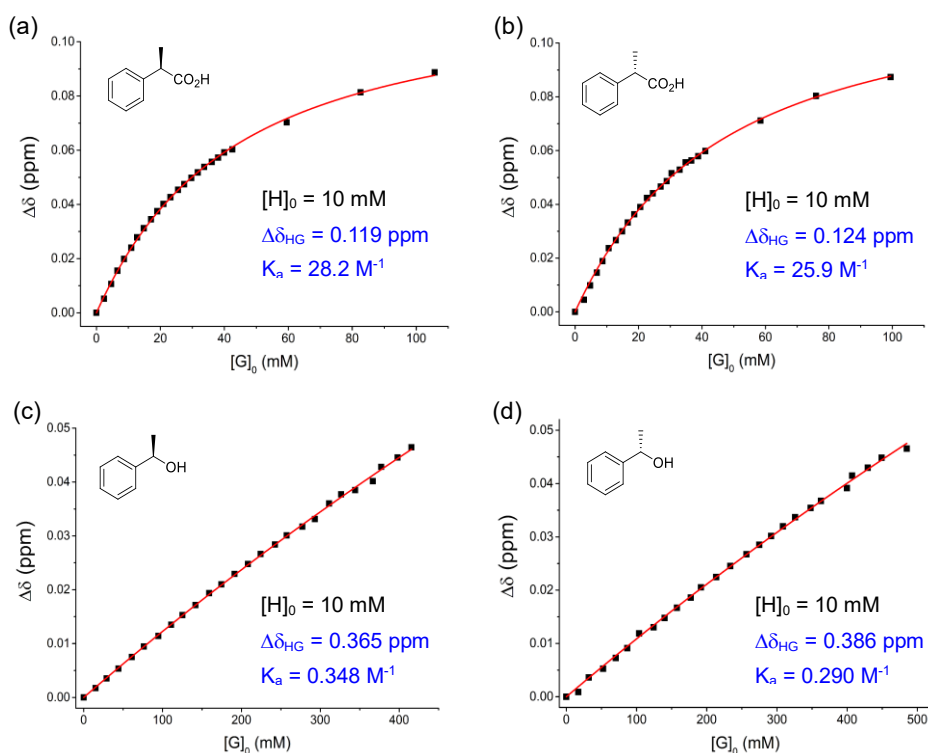


Figure S1. Plots of the complexation-induced shift for CASA-Na as a function of (a) (R) -2-phenylpropionic acid, (b) (S) -2-phenylpropionic acid, (c) (R) -1-phenylethanol and (d) (S) -1-phenylethanol.

3. Job plots and titration experiments

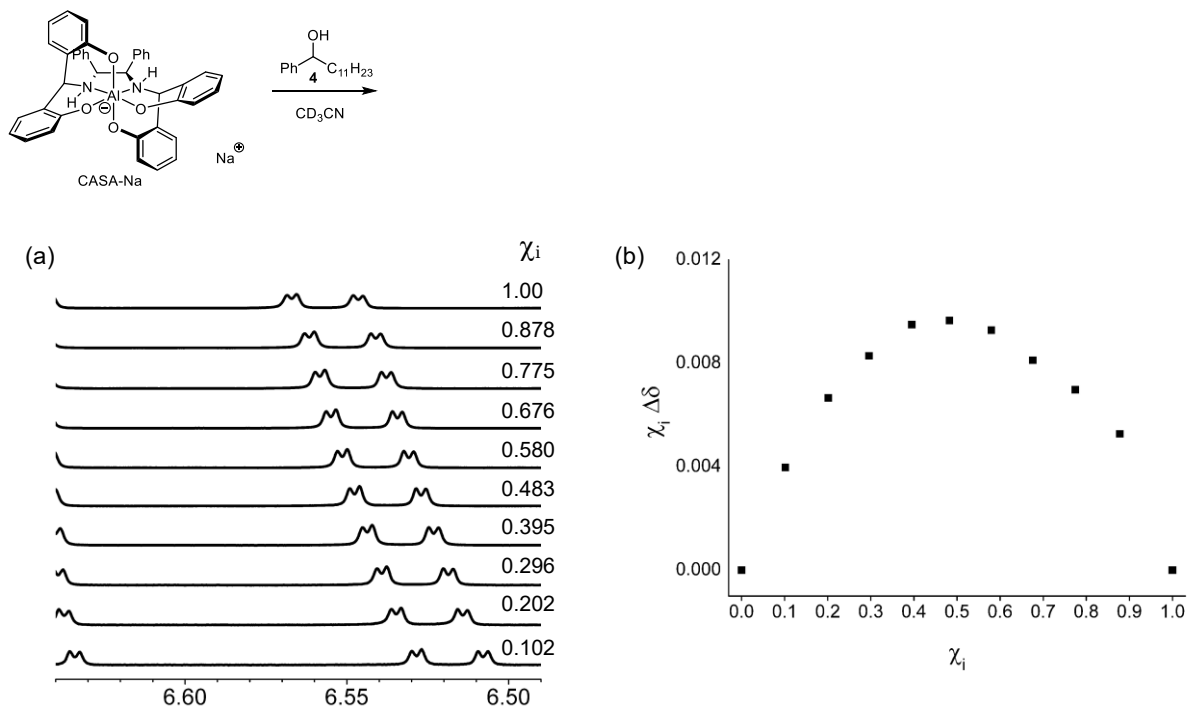


Figure S2. (a) Partial ^1H NMR spectra of CASA-Na with varied mole fraction of *rac*-1-phenyldodecanol ($C_{\text{tot}} = 20 \text{ mM}$ in CD_3CN at -10°C , χ_i =mole fraction of CASA-Na) and (b) the Job plot.

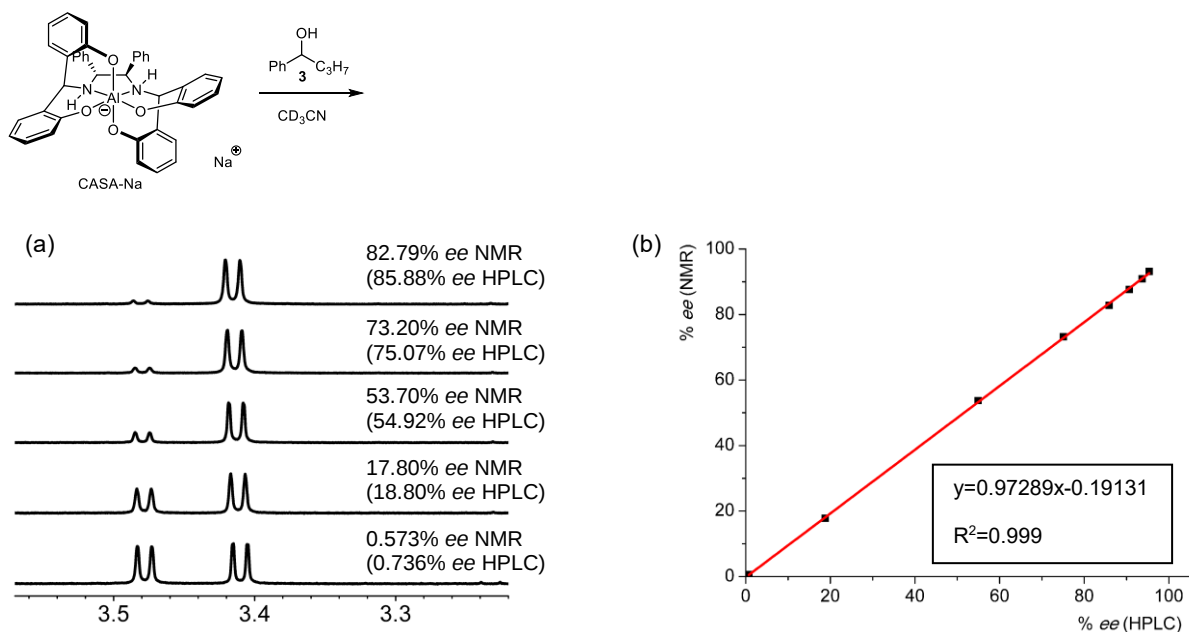
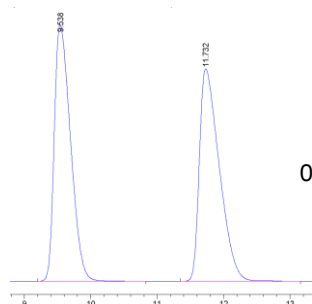


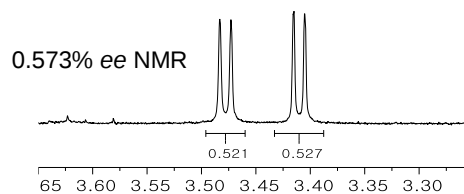
Figure S3. (a) Partial ^1H NMR spectra showing the methyl peaks of 1-phenylbutanol (10 mM) with various enantiomeric excess in the presence of CASA-Na (10 mM) in CD_3CN (observed % ee values from HPLC data are indicated in the parentheses) and (b) a linear plot between HPLC % ee and NMR % ee values.

The % *ee* of 1-Phenylbutanol was analyzed by chiral-phase HPLC analysis (Chiralpak OB, Hexanes:IPA=98:2, flow rate=1.0 mL/min)

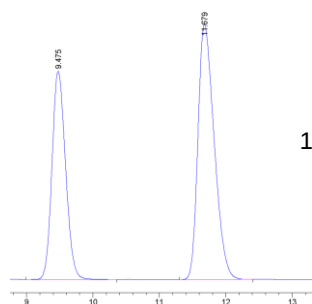


0.736% *ee* HPLC

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	9.538	BB	0.2685	2.81249e4	1653.04211	49.6319
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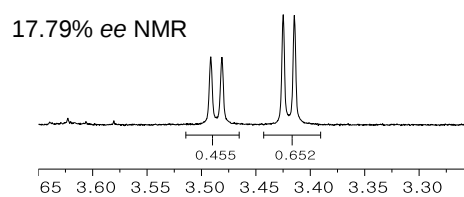


0.573% *ee* NMR

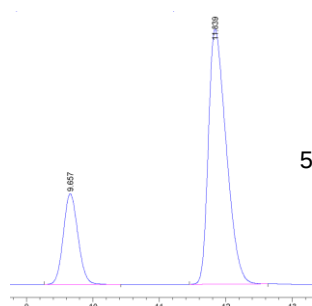


18.80% *ee* HPLC

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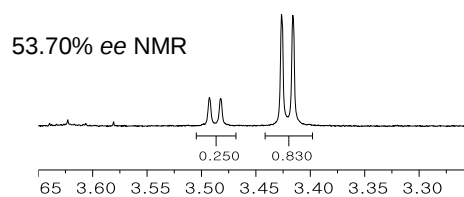


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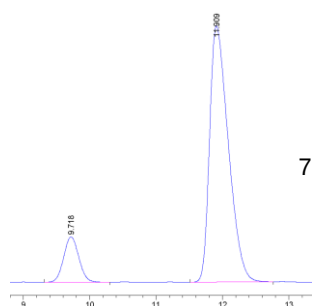


54.92% *ee* HPLC

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
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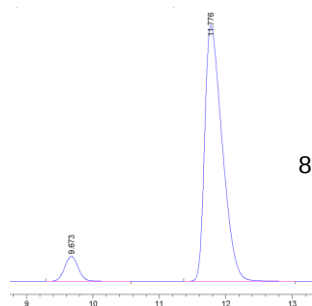
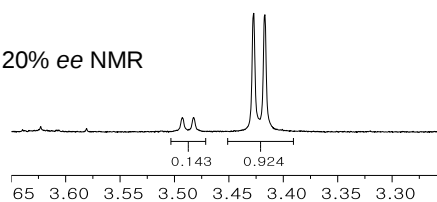
53.70% *ee* NMR



75.07% ee HPLC

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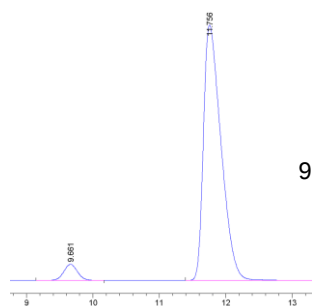
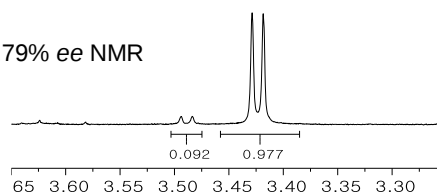
73.20% ee NMR



85.88% ee HPLC

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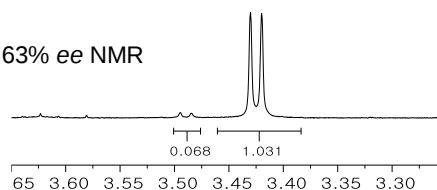
82.79% ee NMR

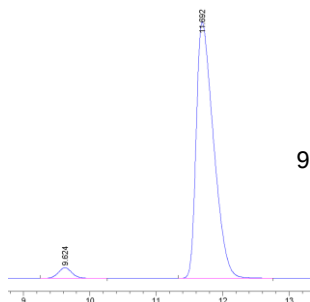


90.67% ee HPLC

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	9.661	BB	0.2203	1088.52246	76.34258	4.6657
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87.63% ee NMR

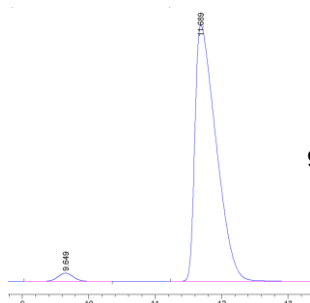
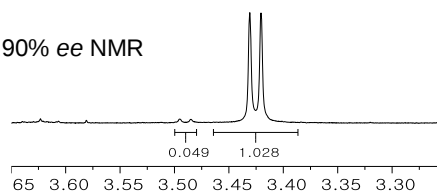




93.72% ee HPLC

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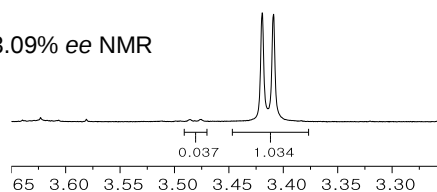
90.90% ee NMR



95.37% ee HPLC

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2	11.689	BB	0.3438	3.82004e4	1728.80652	97.6872

93.09% ee NMR



4. ^1H NMR spectra for chiral solvation of various alcohols with CASA-Na

Figure S4. The effect of hydrophobicity for chiral solvation of secondary alcohols with CASA-Na ($C_{\text{tot}} = 20$ mM, analyte:CASA-Na = 1:1).

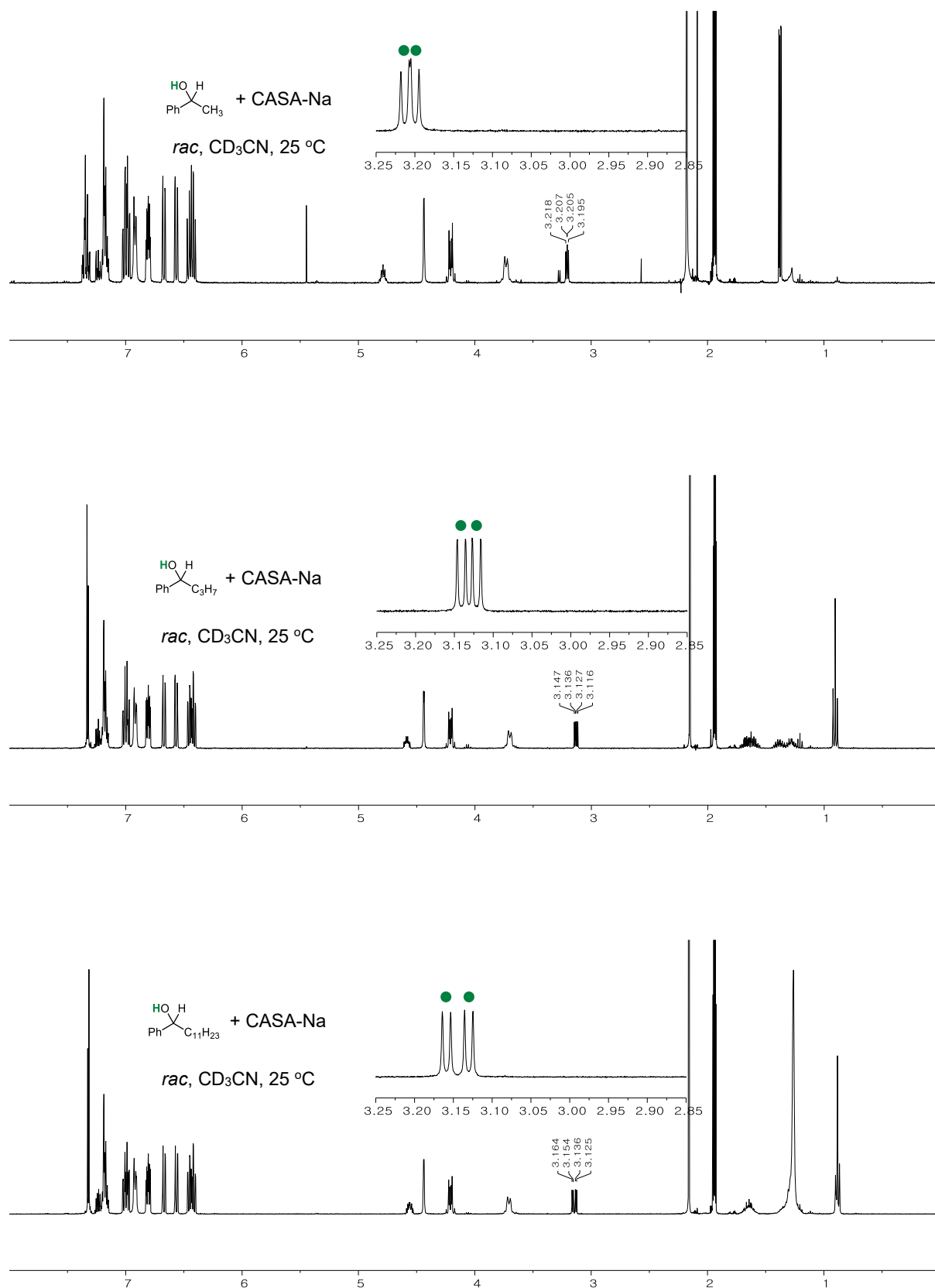
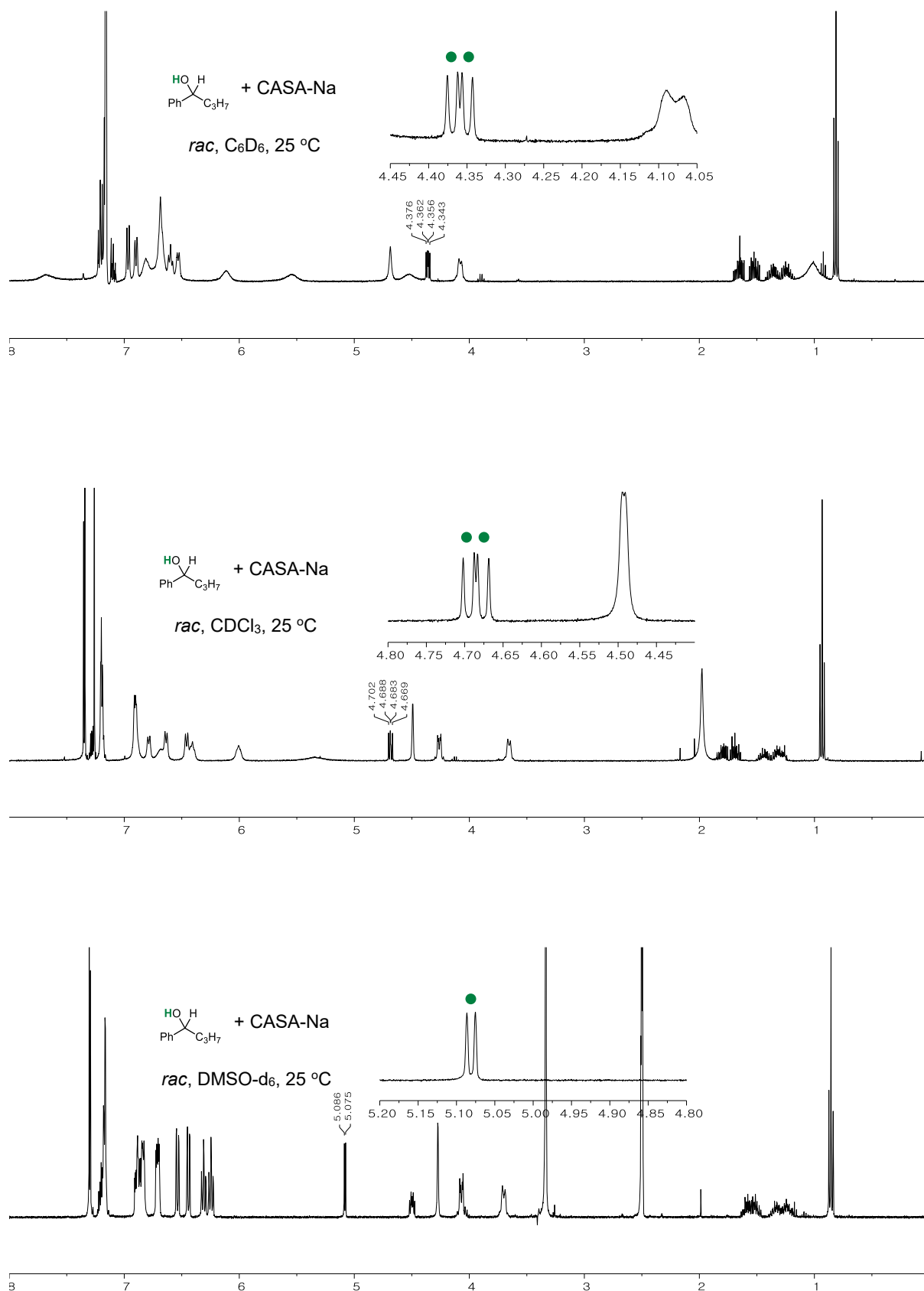


Figure S5. The solvent effect for chiral solvation of secondary alcohols with CASA-Na ($C_{\text{tot}} = 20 \text{ mM}$, analyte:CASA = 1:1).



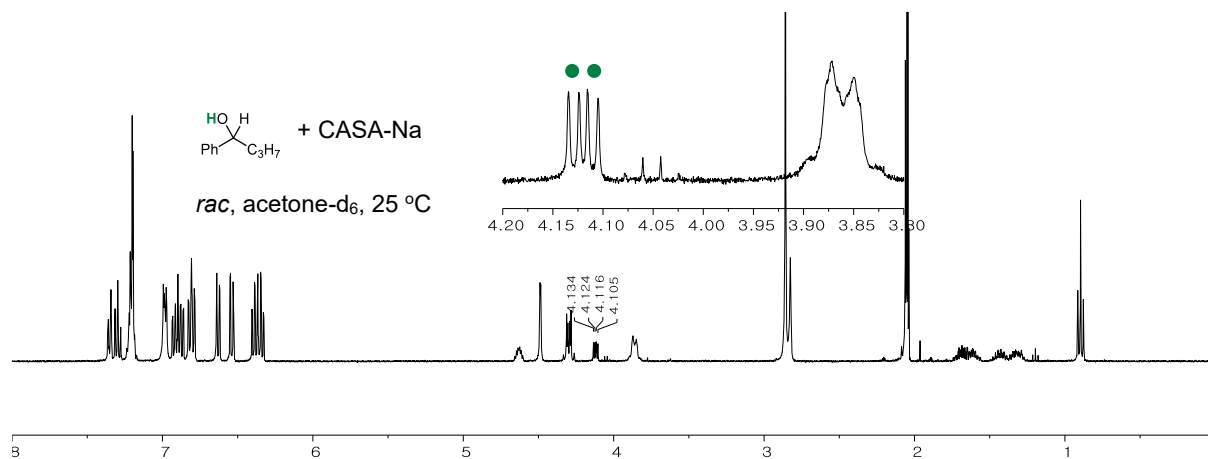
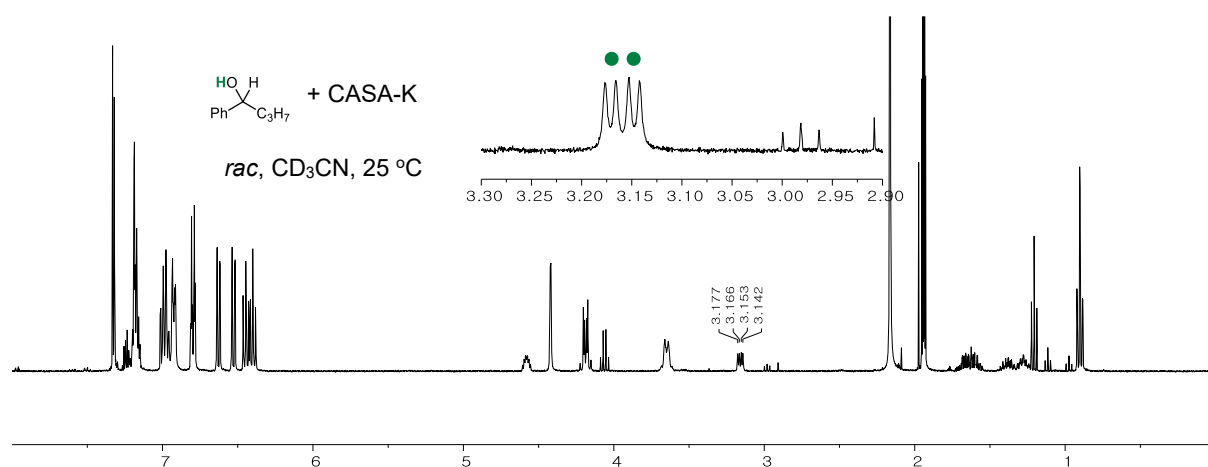
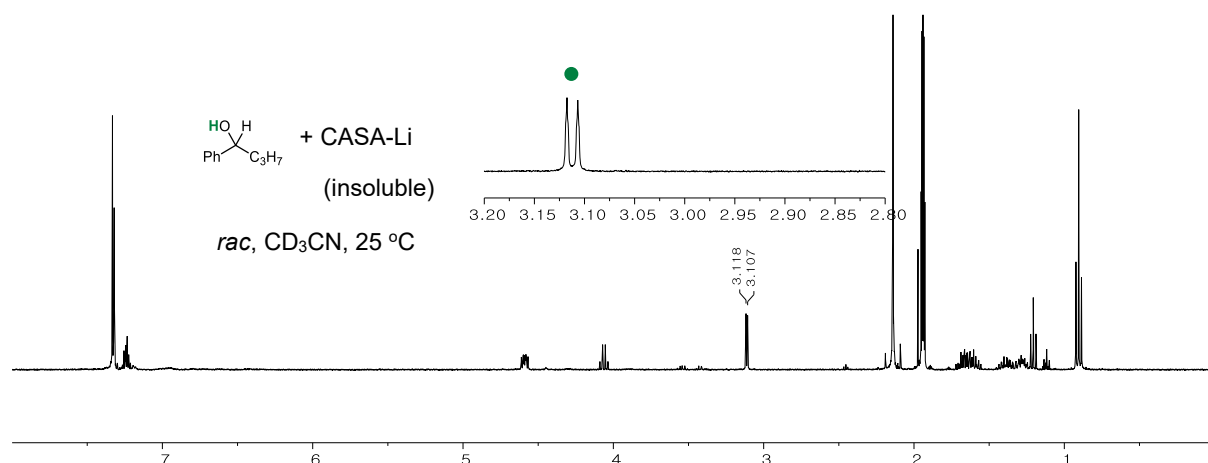


Figure S6. The cation effect for chiral solvation of secondary alcohols with CASA-Na ($C_{\text{tot}} = 20$ mM, analyte:CASA = 1:1).



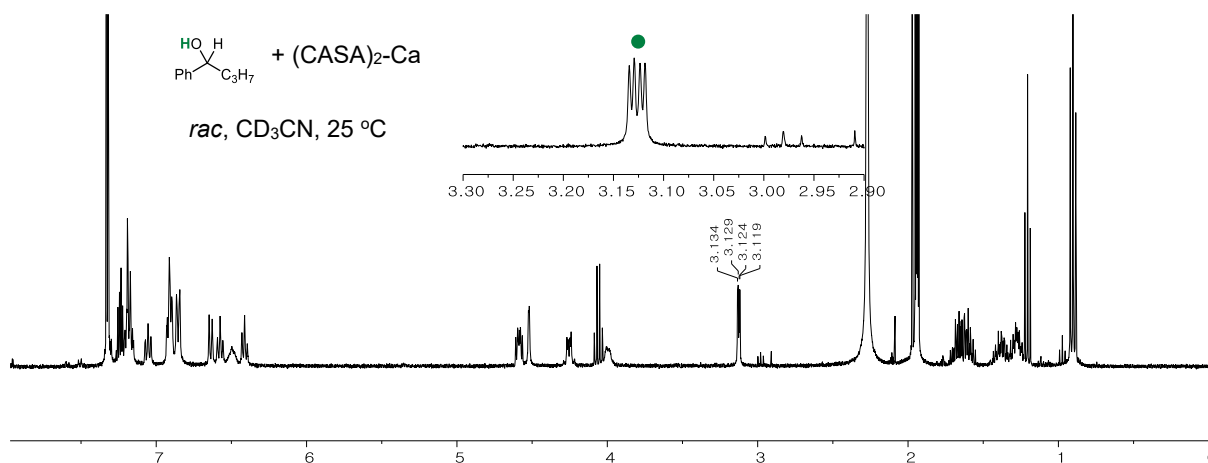
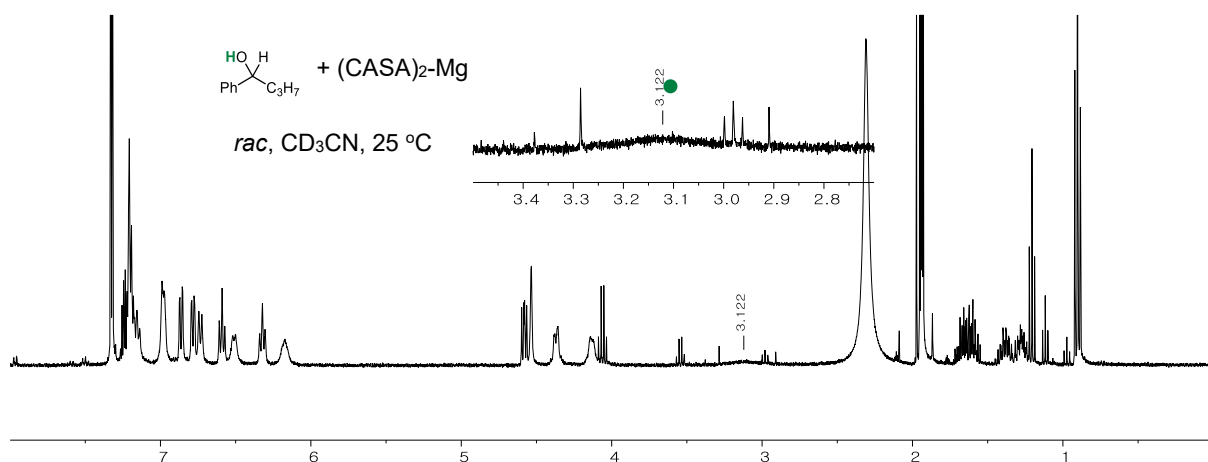
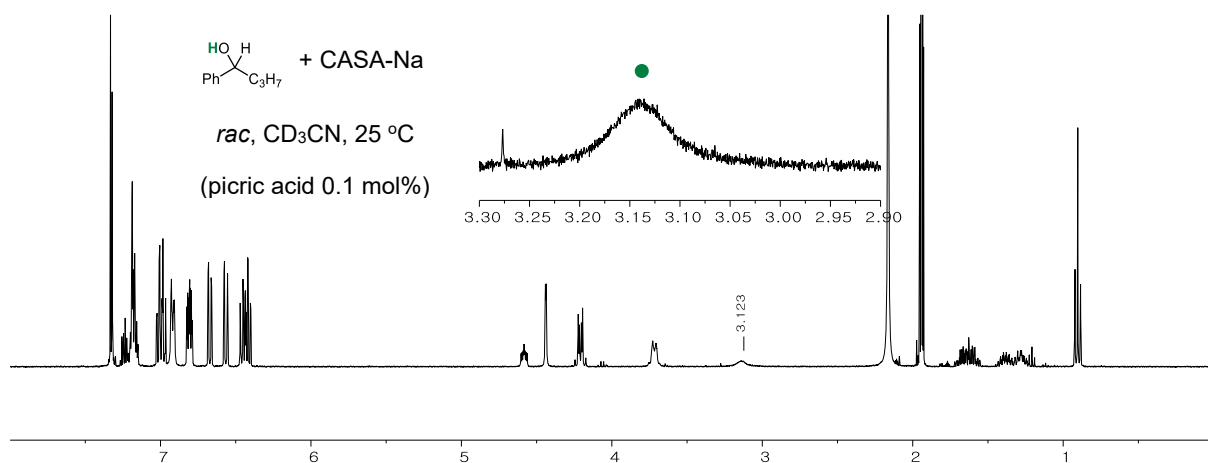


Figure S7. The additive effect for chiral solvation of secondary alcohols with CASA-Na ($C_{\text{tot}} = 20$ mM, analyte:CASA = 1:1).



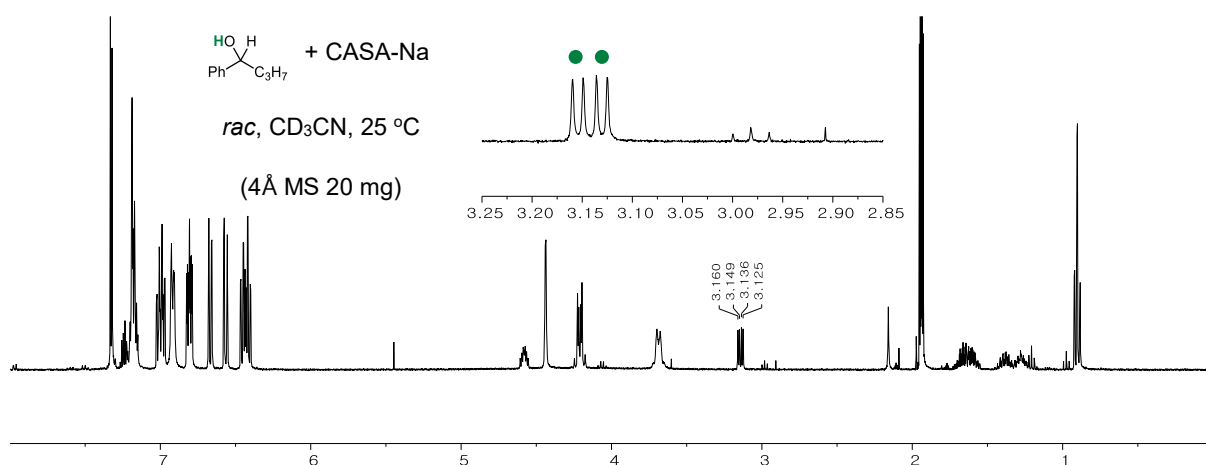
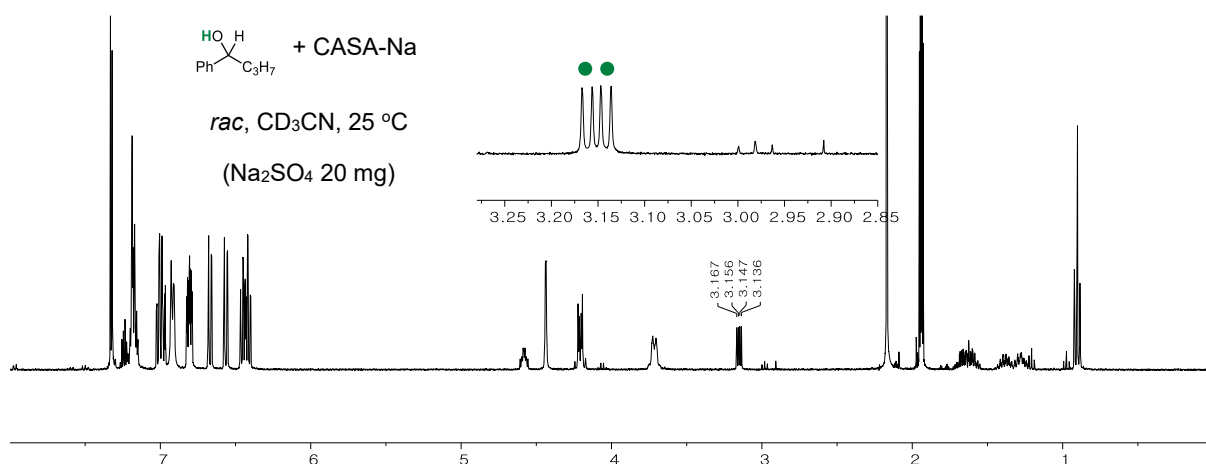
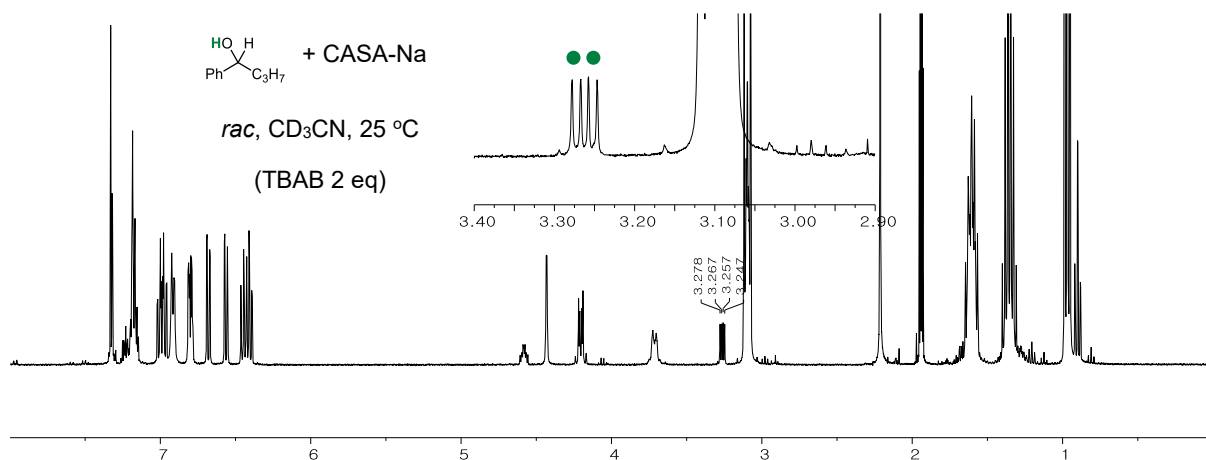


Figure S8. The concentration effect for chiral solvation of secondary alcohols with CASA-Na (analyte:CASA = 1:1).

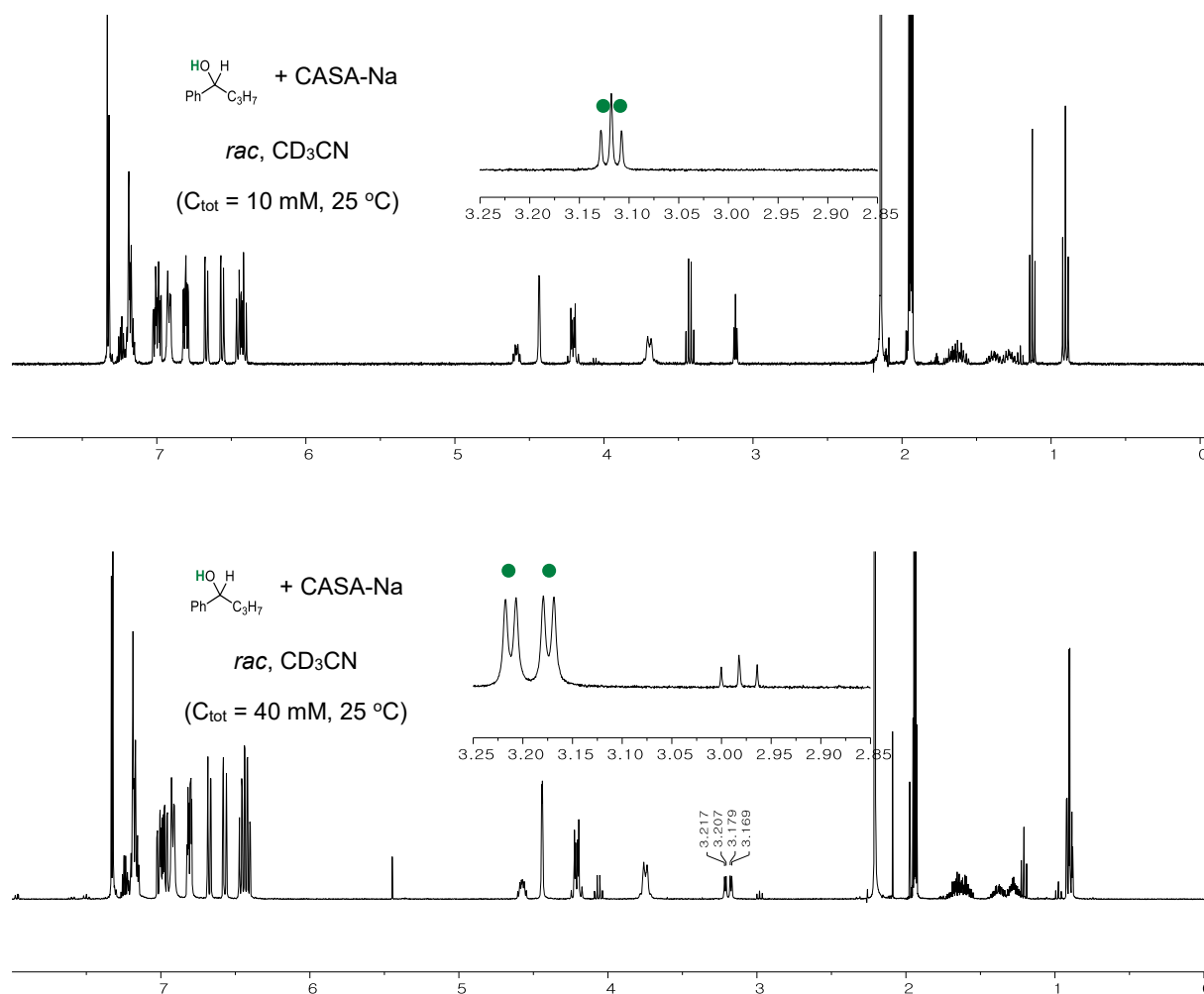
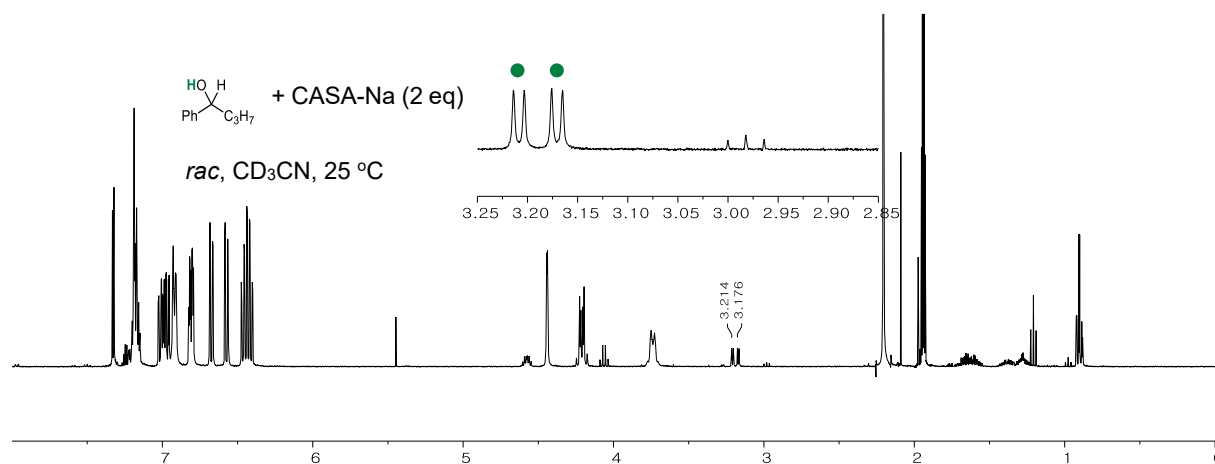


Figure S9. The effect of equivalency for chiral solvation of secondary alcohols with CASA-Na (C_{alcohol} = 10 mM).



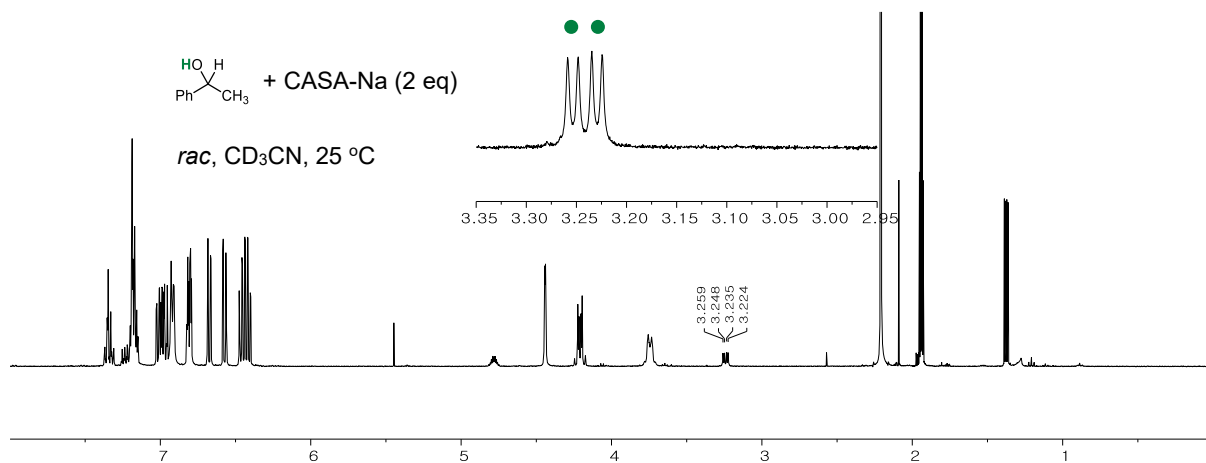
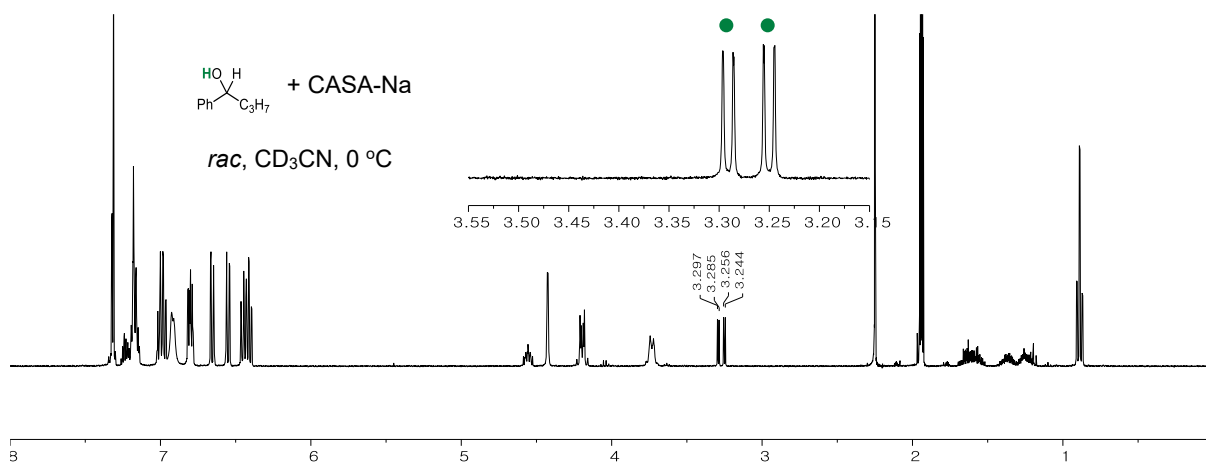
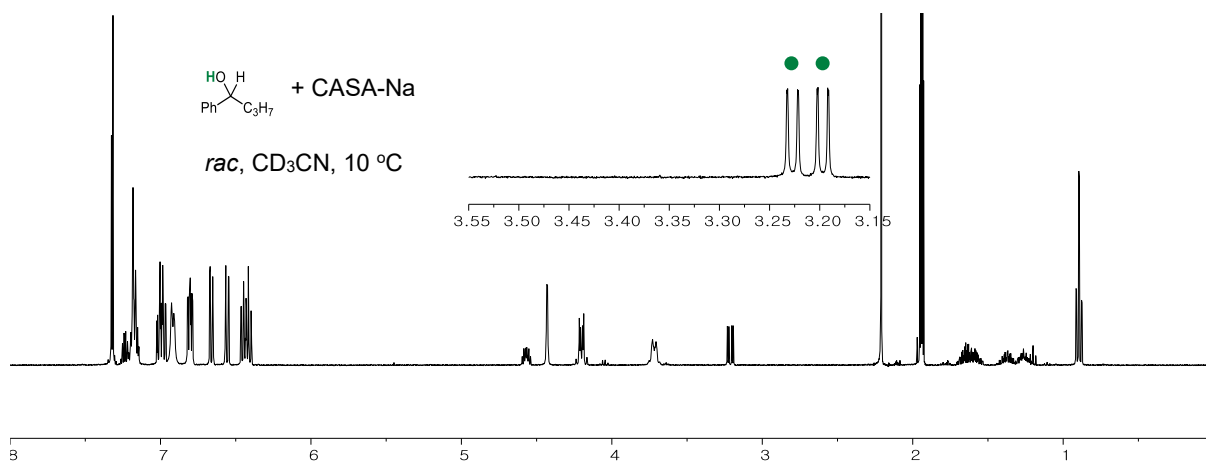


Figure S10. The temperature effect for chiral solvation of secondary alcohols with CASA-Na ($C_{\text{tot}} = 20$ mM, analyte:CASA = 1:1).



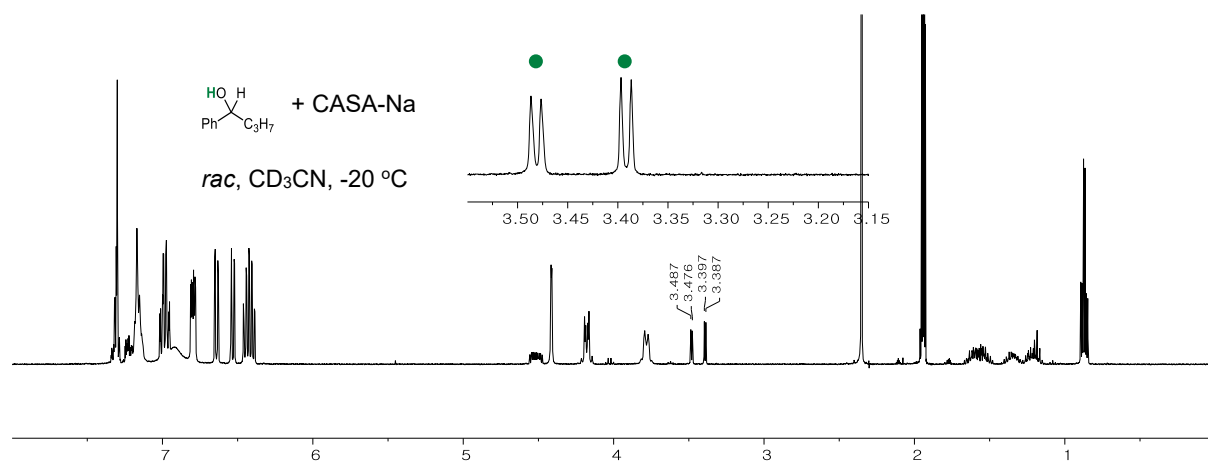
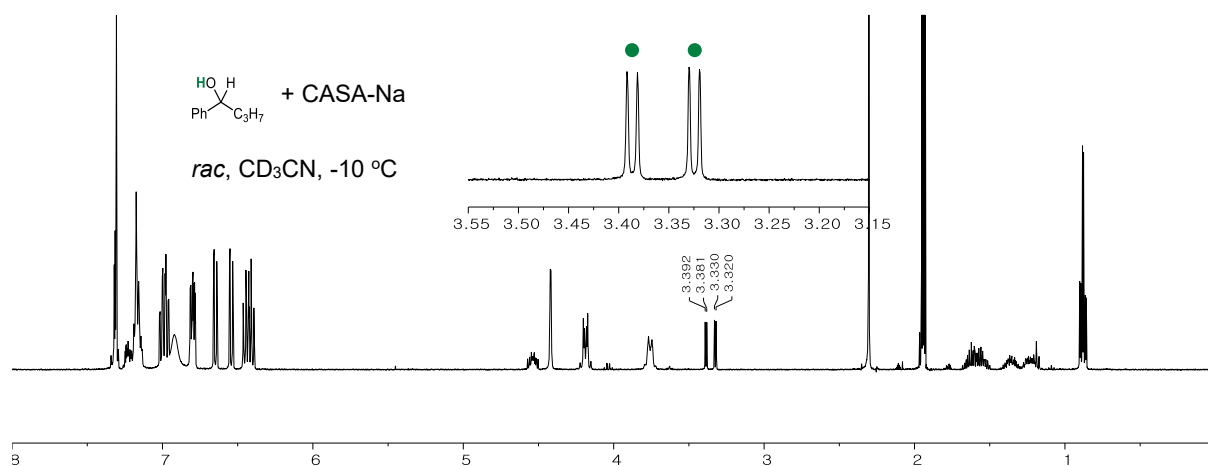
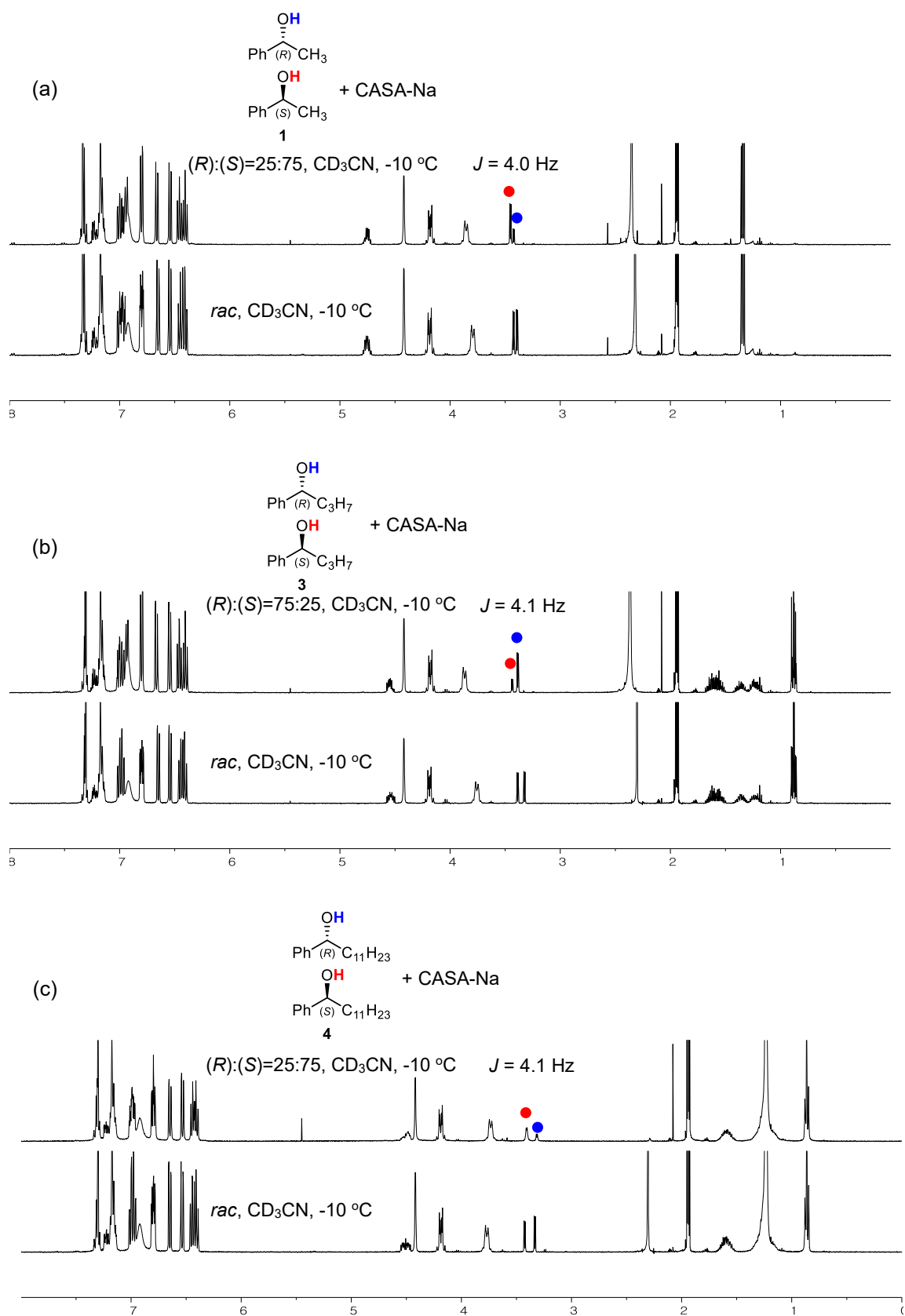
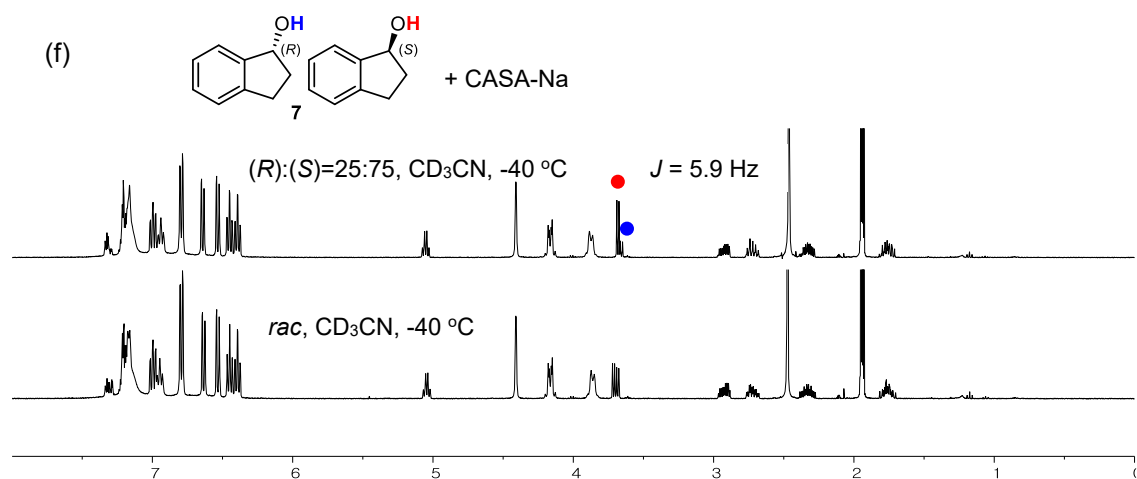
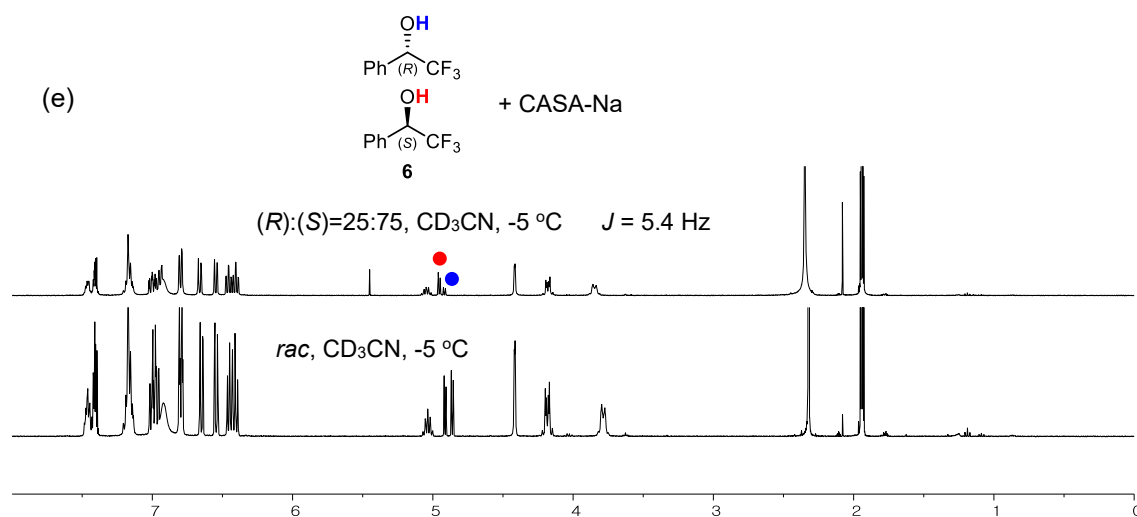
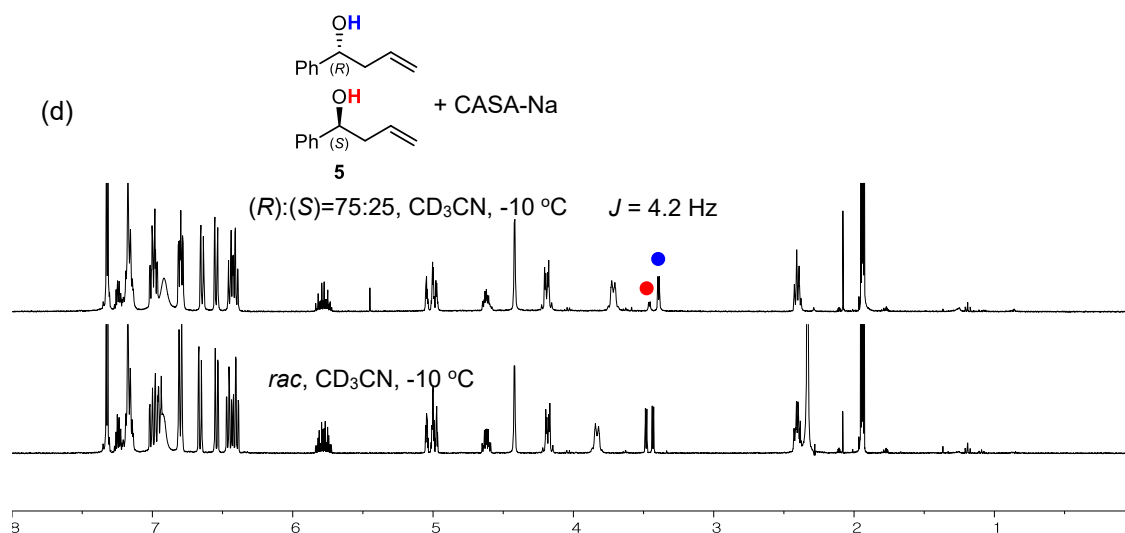
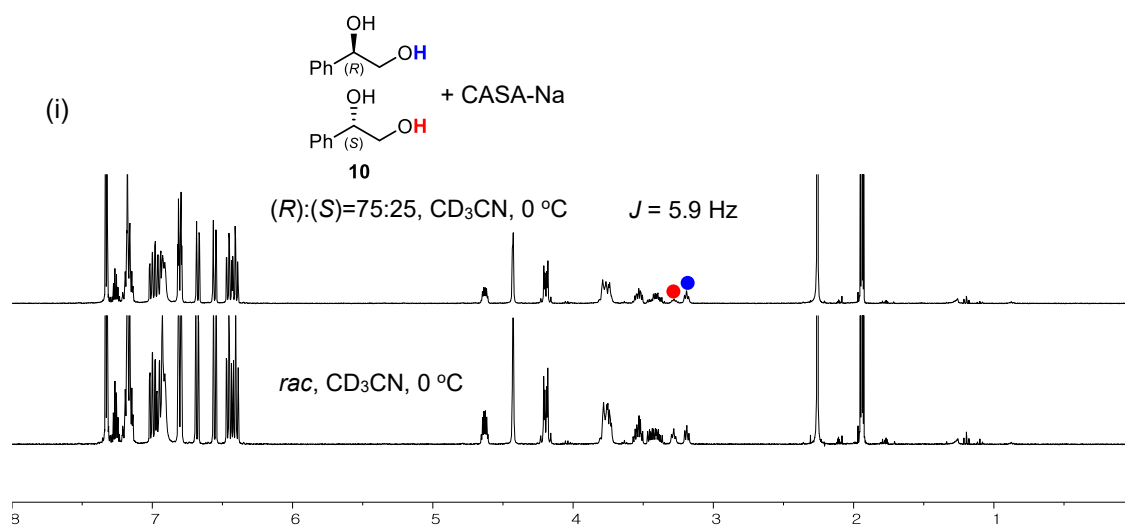
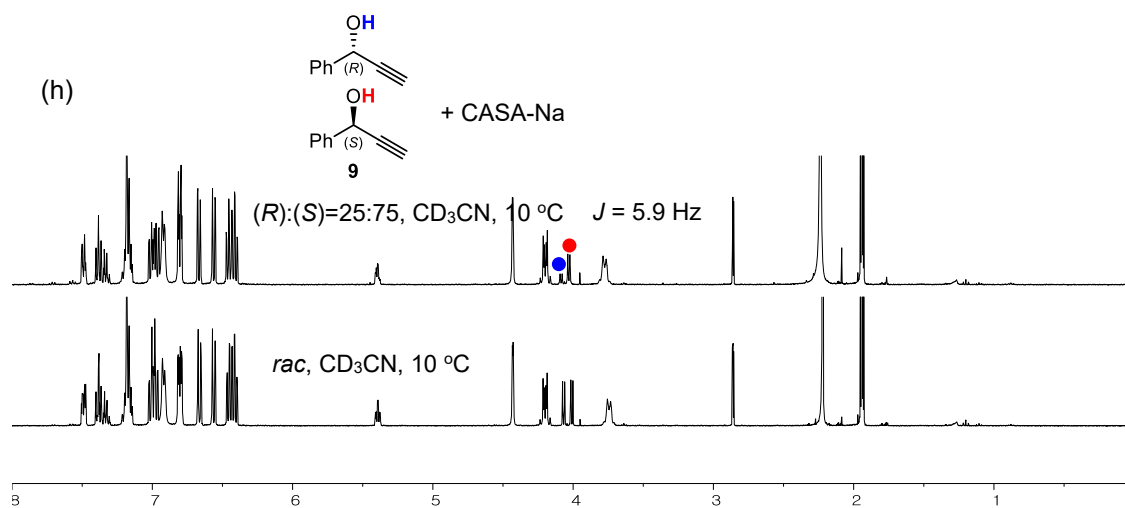
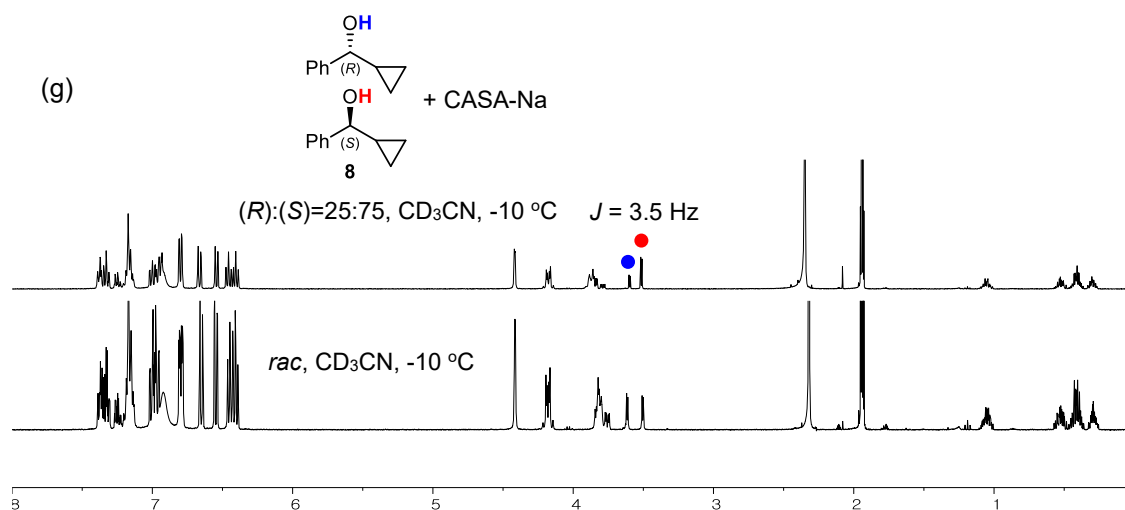


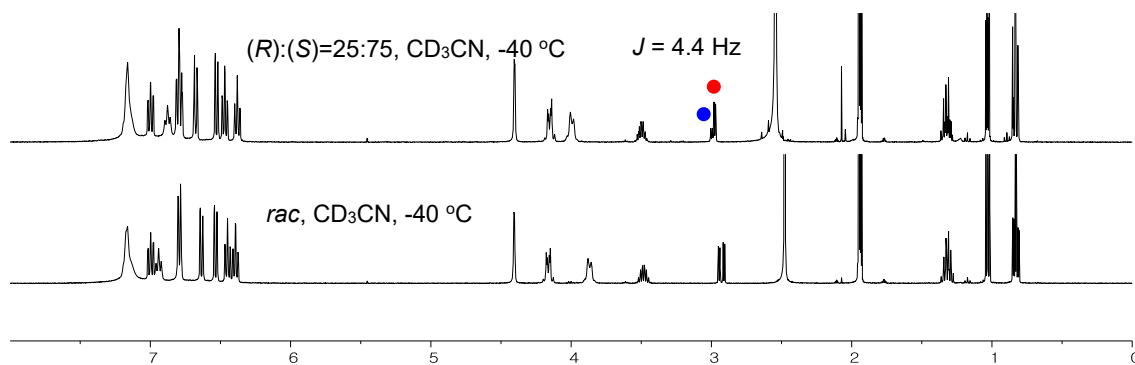
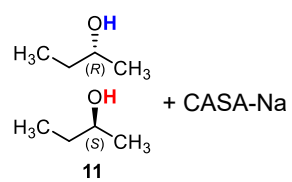
Figure S11. ^1H NMR spectra of a 1:1 mixture of *rac*- or enantioriched analyte and CASA-Na ($C_{\text{tot}} = 20 \text{ mM}$).
 J = coupling constant between the proton on the stereogenic center and the hydroxyl proton



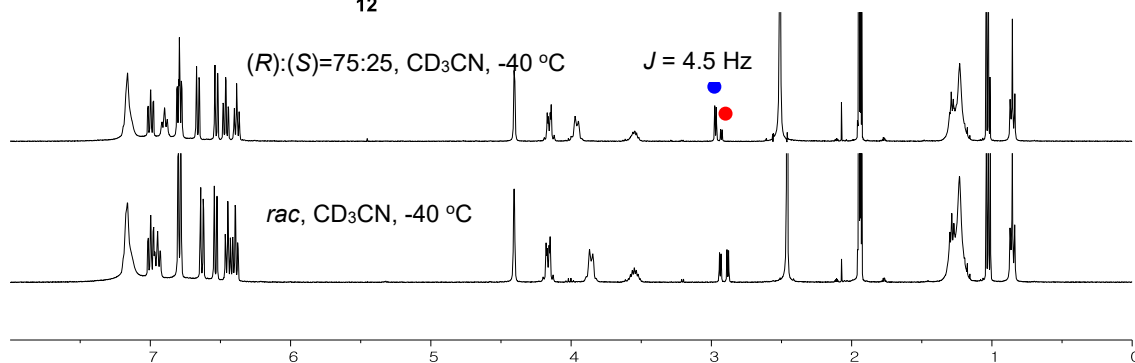
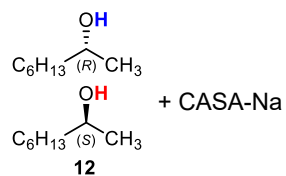




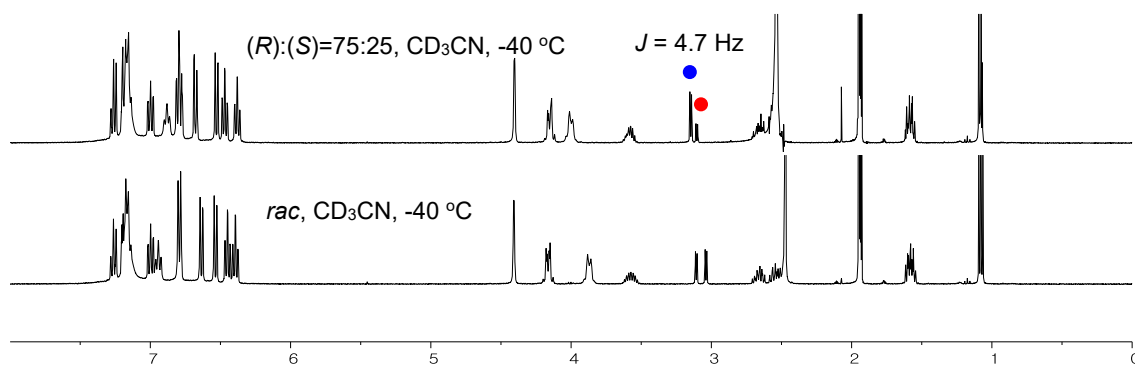
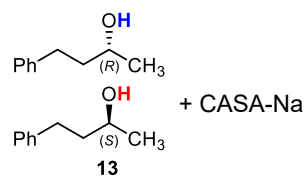
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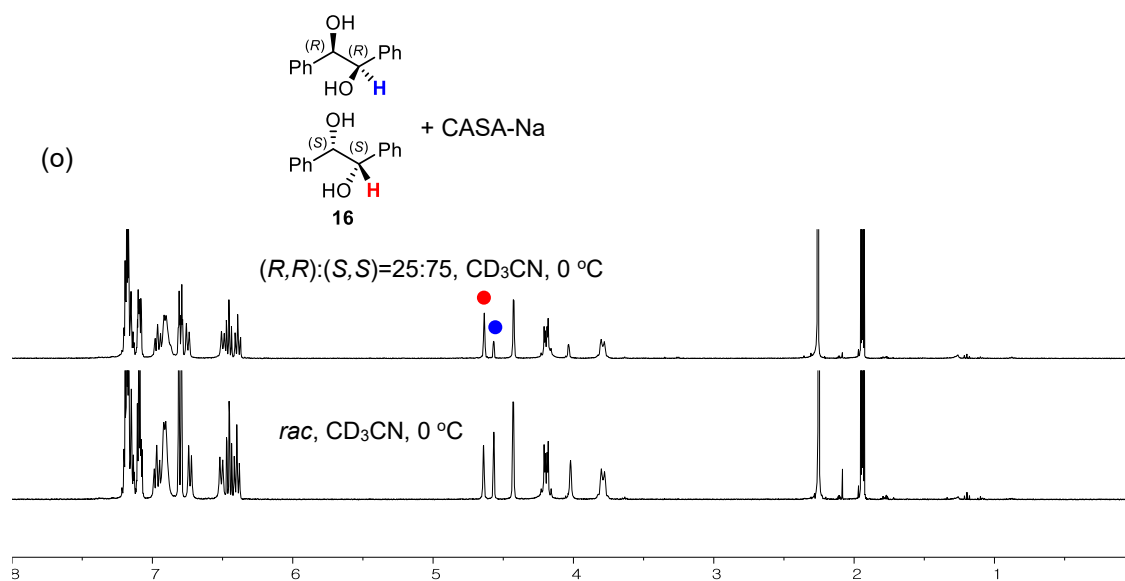
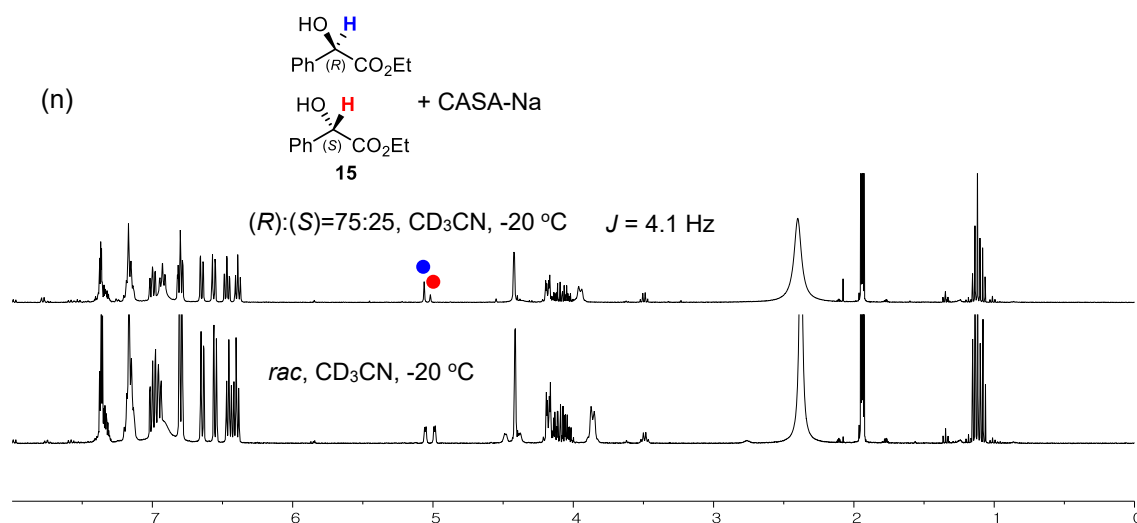
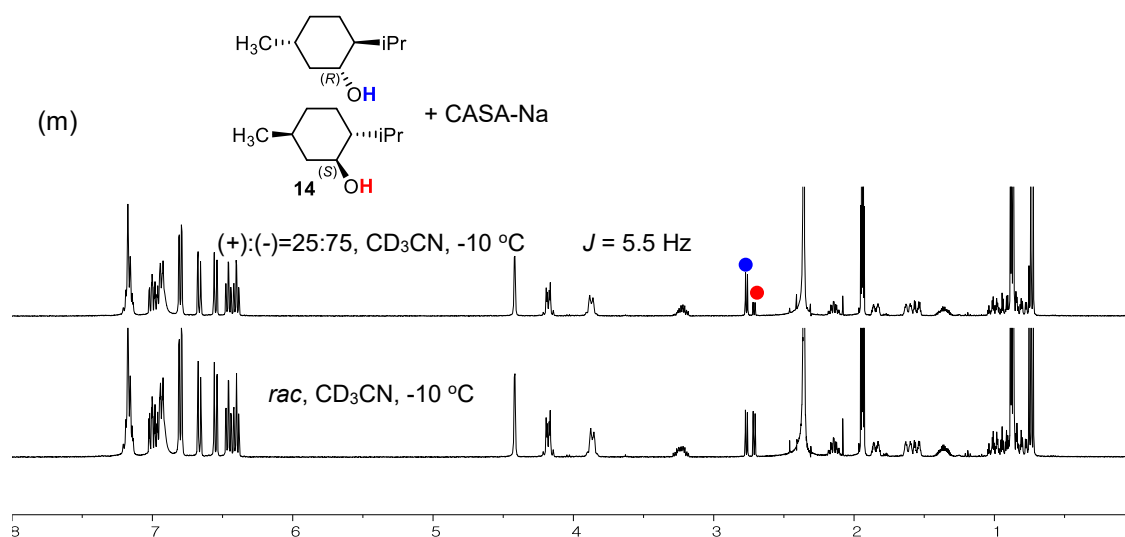


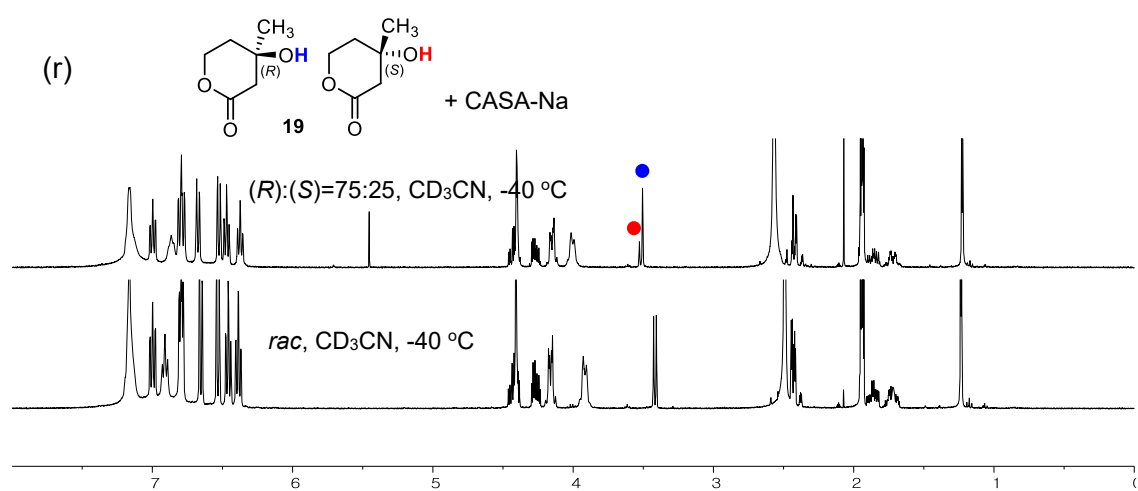
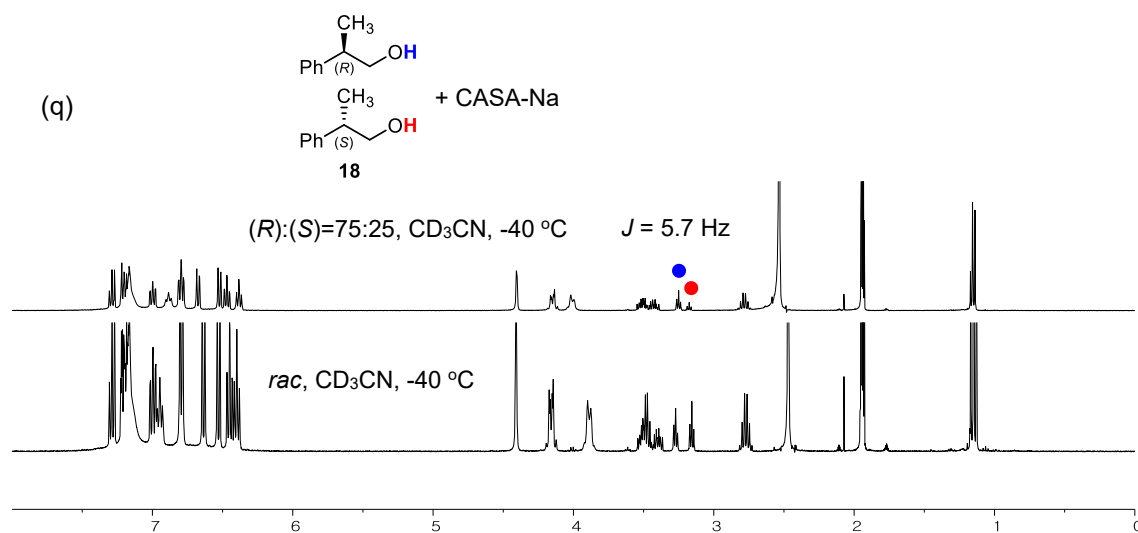
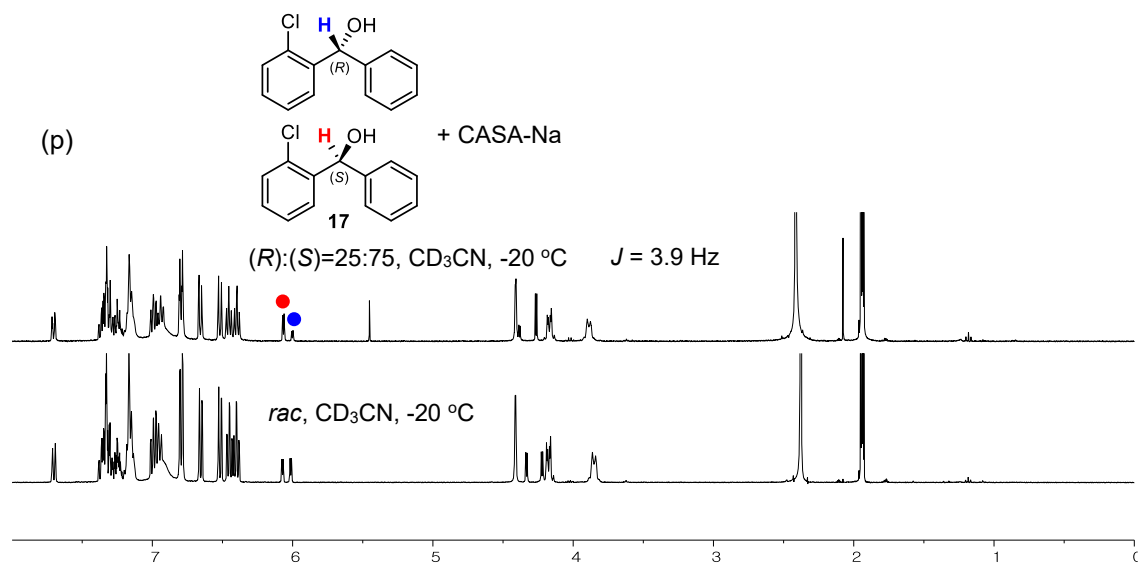
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5. Reported chiral solvating agents for alcohols in CD₃CN

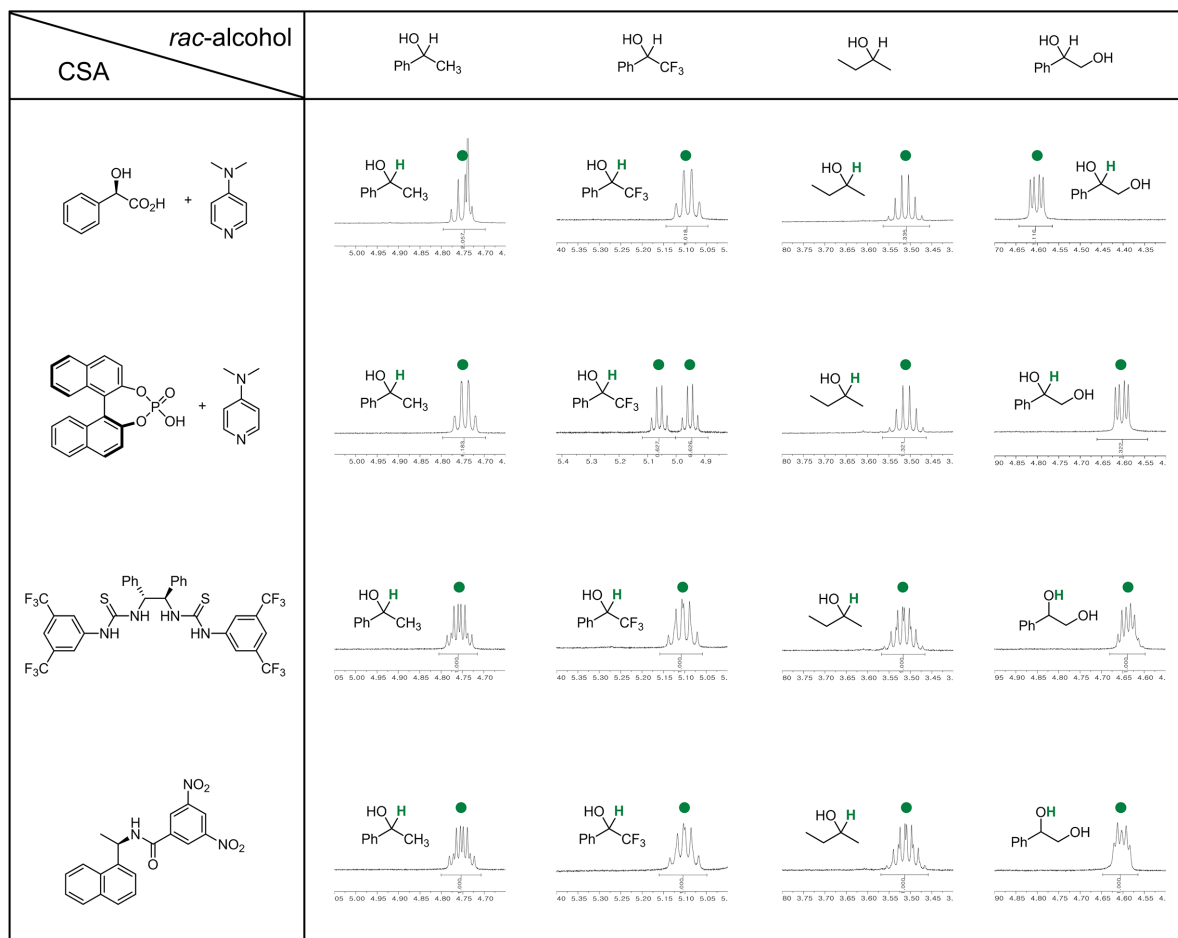


Figure S12. Partial ¹H NMR spectra showing chiral discrimination of *rac*-alcohols with chiral solvating agents such as D-mandelic acid + DMAP, phosphoric acid + DMAP, thiourea, and amide in CD₃CN (*C*_{tot} = 20 mM, *rac*-alcohols:CSA=1:1, at -40 °C).

6. Crystal structures of Sc(III) complex

X-ray quality crystals for Sc complex were obtained by slow evaporation of its saturated solution in MeOH at RT.

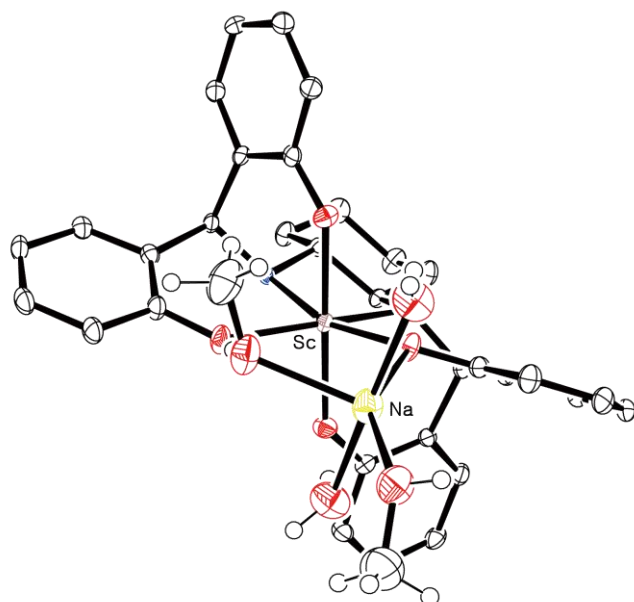


Figure S13. ORTEP representation (50% probability) of the crystal structure of Sc complex. All hydrogens except for those in water and methanol are omitted for clarity.

Empirical formula	C ₃₆ H ₅₀ N ₂ Na O ₁₀ Sc	
Formula weight	738.73	
Temperature	147(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Trigonal	
Space group	P 32	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 16.138(5) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 16.138(5) Å	β = 90°.
	c = 11.833(3) Å	γ = 120°.
Volume	2668.7(17) Å ³	
Z	3	
Density (calculated)	1.379 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.279 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	1176	
Crystal size	0.280 x 0.230 x 0.210 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	1.457 to 27.510°.	
Index ranges	-20 ≤ h ≤ 20, -20 ≤ k ≤ 20, -15 ≤ l ≤ 15	

Reflections collected	25659
Independent reflections	8172 [R(int) = 0.0369]
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	100.0 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7456 and 0.6941
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	8172 / 1 / 454
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.084
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0268, wR2 = 0.0802
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0270, wR2 = 0.0803
Absolute structure parameter	0.002(3)
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.338 and -0.275 e.Å ⁻³

7. DFT computations

The Gaussian 09 was used for all calculations. We used B3LYP/ 6-31G(d,p) basis for all atoms. Solvent effects for CH₃CN was introduced by using the PCM model.

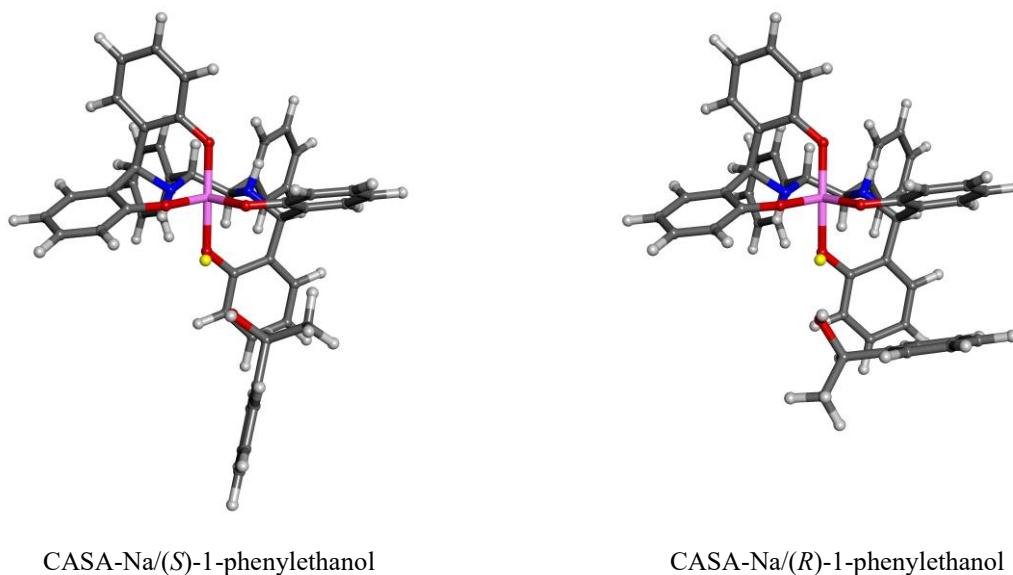


Figure S14. Calculated global energy minimum structures of CASA-Na /(S)-1-phenylethanol and CASA-Na /(R)-1-phenylethanol.

Molecule	E (hartree)	E + ZPVE (hartree)	G _{298K} (hartree)	ΔG (kcal/mol)	Imaginary Frequency (cm ⁻¹)
CASA-Na /(S)-1-phenylethanol	-2745.205818	-2744.412264	-2744.499537		-
CASA-Na /(R)-1-phenylethanol	-2745.206556	-2744.412900	-2744.499474	0.04	-

The chemical shift of the OH and CH₃ peaks of CASA-Na /(S)-1-phenylethanol: δ_{calc.}=1.59 and 1.15

The chemical shift of the OH and CH₃ peaks of CASA-Na /(R)-1-phenylethanol: δ_{calc.}=1.49 and 1.71

Cartesian coordinates of calculated compounds

CASA-Na /(S)-1-phenylethanol

Row	Symbol	X	Y	Z					
					7	H	1.462261	1.047296	-1.42857
1	Al	0.408648	0.590089	0.831282	8	N	1.081686	-1.36304	0.6335
2	O	-0.73076	0.275458	-0.6737	9	H	1.604243	-1.51828	1.496425
3	O	-0.97052	0.09602	1.985032	10	C	2.876327	-0.18495	-0.58061
4	O	-0.16488	2.367708	0.823902	11	H	3.482995	-0.1209	0.326023
5	O	1.671523	0.784609	2.18661	12	C	2.030395	-1.4856	-0.51599
6	N	1.931111	0.97064	-0.5253	13	H	1.407451	-1.53175	-1.41303

14	C	-0.04502	-2.34954	0.615825	53	C	4.446635	2.635776	3.647081
15	H	0.385195	-3.3534	0.518156	54	H	4.920968	2.735839	4.6201
16	C	-0.95459	-2.143	-0.59218	55	C	3.35206	1.792241	3.500896
17	C	-1.53421	-3.28093	-1.17174	56	H	2.965092	1.230676	4.346808
18	H	-1.28929	-4.25566	-0.7549	57	C	2.695962	1.630165	2.25773
19	C	-2.40639	-3.20273	-2.25546	58	Na	-2.37627	1.47313	0.681951
20	H	-2.83797	-4.1038	-2.67952	59	H	-5.21922	1.729124	1.289559
21	C	-2.69868	-1.94474	-2.79268	60	O	-4.65974	1.208822	0.695909
22	H	-3.36368	-1.85513	-3.64788	61	C	-5.35738	-0.01667	0.351318
23	C	-2.1263	-0.80118	-2.24533	62	H	-4.61055	-0.59005	-0.20483
24	H	-2.33673	0.179632	-2.66358	63	C	-6.52791	0.266445	-0.57645
25	C	-1.2488	-0.86401	-1.13695	64	C	-8.66708	0.791359	-2.32536
26	C	-0.77205	-2.31454	1.955756	65	C	-6.49222	-0.17958	-1.90328
27	C	-1.04522	-3.52221	2.609442	66	C	-7.65241	0.980605	-0.13604
28	H	-0.6949	-4.44883	2.160125	67	C	-8.71202	1.244772	-1.00406
29	C	-1.75516	-3.56781	3.809646	68	C	-7.55504	0.076607	-2.77286
30	H	-1.95457	-4.51905	4.292901	69	H	-5.62602	-0.73374	-2.25593
31	C	-2.19688	-2.36987	4.377492	70	H	-7.70941	1.333837	0.890538
32	H	-2.74891	-2.37951	5.313663	71	H	-9.57466	1.800509	-0.64837
33	C	-1.92166	-1.15442	3.75558	72	H	-7.51182	-0.27959	-3.79796
34	H	-2.24504	-0.21603	4.197784	73	H	-9.49387	0.994176	-2.99957
35	C	-1.20665	-1.09576	2.540978	74	C	-5.73997	-0.78552	1.614723
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38	C	1.561011	3.403459	-0.51599	77	H	-6.19755	-1.74418	1.353113
39	C	1.935372	4.49008	-1.31504	78	C	3.804499	-0.13775	-1.78493
40	H	2.928403	4.492014	-1.75914	79	C	5.187993	-0.02256	-1.60089
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46	H	-1.58522	4.455548	0.264434	85	C	5.541158	-0.02291	-3.99367
47	C	0.261437	3.375233	0.056592	86	H	7.122259	0.122962	-2.53447
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49	C	4.311434	3.188433	1.313587	88	H	6.210904	0.020939	-4.84716
50	H	4.691499	3.729127	0.449041	89	C	2.877381	-2.7469	-0.45447
51	C	4.939357	3.346283	2.547097	90	C	2.768346	-3.71597	-1.45954
52	H	5.798522	4.002279	2.646538	91	C	3.768832	-2.97276	0.605561

92	C	3.533959	-4.88302	-1.41298	96	C	4.418735	-5.09676	-0.35544
93	H	2.079212	-3.55628	-2.28408	97	H	3.436024	-5.62332	-2.2013
94	C	4.532879	-4.13871	0.655304	98	H	5.218428	-4.29768	1.48215
95	H	3.875336	-2.23963	1.401493	99	H	5.014739	-6.00351	-0.3165

CASA-Na /(R)-1-phenylethanol

Row	Symbol	X	Y	Z					
1	Al	0.254345	0.629759	0.686169	31	C	-3.11947	-2.06745	3.750141
2	O	-0.63248	0.411684	-0.99505	32	H	-3.80996	-2.02229	4.588268
3	O	-1.34057	0.264293	1.580085	33	C	-2.65217	-0.8851	3.181872
4	O	-0.14899	2.451839	0.609717	34	H	-2.96419	0.080883	3.569714
5	O	1.284129	0.710241	2.234748	35	C	-1.75546	-0.89771	2.093669
6	N	2.00519	0.873887	-0.3983	36	C	2.717611	2.127658	0.006208
7	H	1.69207	1.005219	-1.3607	37	H	3.646705	2.192355	-0.57282
8	N	0.777895	-1.37642	0.575354	38	C	1.871115	3.332324	-0.38778
9	H	1.140404	-1.57497	1.50861	39	C	2.47593	4.389386	-1.07806
10	C	2.837637	-0.36465	-0.33407	40	H	3.525134	4.29984	-1.35109
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14	C	-0.41541	-2.25799	0.370332	44	H	-0.13943	6.539255	-1.31016
15	H	-0.06674	-3.29677	0.326435	45	C	-0.20012	4.60104	-0.38848
16	C	-1.1074	-1.97134	-0.95953	46	H	-1.24727	4.678096	-0.10679
17	C	-1.71015	-3.04987	-1.62274	47	C	0.496572	3.423795	-0.04118
18	H	-1.63442	-4.03932	-1.17649	48	C	3.115968	2.109925	1.480734
19	C	-2.39619	-2.89579	-2.82581	49	C	4.269651	2.817737	1.8464
20	H	-2.85145	-3.75273	-3.31209	50	H	4.840111	3.317175	1.065761
21	C	-2.46919	-1.62188	-3.39926	51	C	4.704237	2.900875	3.167397
22	H	-2.98589	-1.47494	-4.34408	52	H	5.601207	3.459163	3.416707
23	C	-1.86867	-0.53748	-2.76835	53	C	3.968236	2.243291	4.159089
24	H	-1.9074	0.454318	-3.21139	54	H	4.287954	2.286814	5.197184
25	C	-1.18406	-0.67574	-1.53782	55	C	2.828012	1.524041	3.821859
26	C	-1.33458	-2.15395	1.582183	56	H	2.252862	1.003394	4.582637
27	C	-1.80309	-3.32868	2.182608	57	C	2.367037	1.439728	2.486763
28	H	-1.46356	-4.28523	1.791433	58	Na	-2.36609	1.758851	0.054326
29	C	-2.69365	-3.30341	3.256324	59	H	-4.98701	2.922919	-0.07265
30	H	-3.04336	-4.22999	3.700574	60	O	-4.435	2.467814	-0.72488
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62	H	-4.60437	1.182397	-2.26538	81	C	6.288721	-0.44929	-1.97676
63	C	-6.01474	0.596241	-0.77602	82	H	5.535633	-0.41477	0.040412
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74	C	-6.2329	2.581806	-2.37526	93	H	2.043325	-3.67535	-2.15334
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76	H	-6.83035	1.994223	-3.07865	95	H	3.329034	-2.46792	1.774693
77	H	-6.92204	3.123052	-1.71862	96	C	3.909717	-5.37959	0.122742
78	C	3.928562	-0.40334	-1.39331	97	H	3.195289	-5.84516	-1.85791
79	C	5.276576	-0.42171	-1.01471	98	H	4.468272	-4.62765	2.066223
80	C	3.612763	-0.40868	-2.76073	99	H	4.415393	-6.3313	0.254896

8. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of CASA-Na

